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E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: MASS, PE, US

SUBJECT: SALE OF USS BENHAM

REFERENCE: (A) LIMA 7550, 142239Z DEC 72 (B) STATE 121485,  
212050Z JUN 73

1. IN KEEPING WITH USG POLICY TO EMPHASIZE SALE RATHER THAN  
LOAN OR LEASE OF US NAVY VESSELS WE WISH TO PROCEED WITH  
SALE OF EX-USS BENHAM TO WHICH PERUVIAN NAVY MINISTER HAS  
AGREED (REF A, PARA 3.B), AND WHICH WAS REQUESTED IN DIPLO-  
MATIC NOTE DATED JULY 11, 1973 FROM PERU EMBASSY HERE.

2. ACCORDINGLY, YOU ARE AUTHORIZED TO PRESENT DIPLOMATIC  
NOTE, TEXT OF WHICH SHOULD BE IDENTICAL TO THAT CONTAINED IN  
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REF B WITH EXCEPTION OF FOLLOWING:

-- CHANGE QUOTE USS ISHERWOOD (DD 520) UNQUOTE TO READ  
QUOTE USS BENHAM (DD 796) UNQUOTE WHEREVER IT OCCURS.

-- IN THIRD PARA CHANGE QUOTE SIGNED AT WASHINGTON ON  
DECEMBER 27 AND 28, 1960 UNQUOTE TO QUOTE SIGNED AT LIMA  
ON FEBRUARY 12 AND 26, 1960 AND EXTENDED BY AN EXCHANGE  
OF NOTES SIGNED AT LIMA ON JUNE 8 AND 28, 1965, AND  
FURTHER EXTENDED BY AN EXCHANGE OF NOTES SIGNED AT LIMA  
ON JANUARY 5, 1971 AND FEBRUARY 29, 1972 UNQOTE.

3. UPON YOUR NOTIFICATION THAT GOP HAS RESPONDED FAVOR-  
ABLY WITH A DIPLOMATIC NOTE, US NAVY WOULD BE AUTHORIZED  
TO PROCEED WITH ACTIONS NECESSARY TO CARRY OUT CASH SALE  
THROUGH PERUVIAN NAVAL ATTACHE IN WASHINGTON UNDER FMS  
PROCEDURES.

4. SINCE US NAVY IS PREPARED TO CARRY OUT CASH SALE OF  
USS ISHERWOOD, REQUEST STATUS OF GOP REPLY TO USG NOTE  
OFFERING ISHERWOOD (REF B). ALTHOUGH GOP REQUESTED SALE  
OF BOTH BENHAM AND ISHERWOOD IN JULY 11 NOTE DELIVERED  
HERE, OUR POLICY IS CARRY OUT EXCHANGE OF NOTES IN LIMA  
IN ORDER THAT EMBASSY BE THE CHANNEL FOR GOVERNMENT-TO-  
GOVERNMENT FMS REQUESTS. RUSH

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